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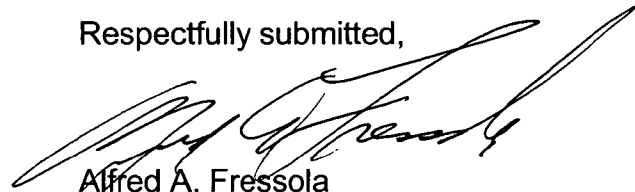
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Also enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 listing the cited reference. A copy of the cited reference is also enclosed herewith. The relevance of the reference is specifically explained in the Search Report and the abstract of the reference provides a concise explanation thereof.

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